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SAIGON STATION

With the evacuation from Vietnam, and the closing of Saigon Station on 29 April 1975, there is the end of an era that undoubtedly has special significance to all elements of the Agency, particularly, Agency employees who have served in Vietnam or who have otherwise been following developments in that country. For that reason, I thought it appropriate to share with you my last cable communication with Saigon Station:

"As we approach end of communication with Saigon, I would like to record Agency's pride and satisfaction with the job that its representatives did there, and at no time during its twenty-odd-year history is this more true than in these past few weeks. The courage, integrity, dedication and high competence the Agency displayed in a variety of situations over these years has been fully matched and even surpassed by your performance during this difficult final phase. Thousands of Vietnamese owe their lives and future hopes to your efforts, your Government has profited immensely from the accuracy and breadth of your reporting and your country will one day learn with admiration of the way you represented its best instincts and ideals. Good luck and many thanks."

W. E. Colby
Director

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